BAY COURIER
TRAORDINARY.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 19th, 1823.

THE Brailsford, Captain Spring, from London the 12th April reached the harbour this forenoon.

The only public intelligence brought by this Ship is a confirmation of the commencement of hostilities between France and Spain, contained in the British Press of the 12th April, as under.

SECOND EDITION.

COMMENCEMENT OF HOSTILITIES.

We stop the Press to announce the arrival of an Express from Paris, ging intelligence of the actual commencement of hostilities.

" PARIS, APRIL 10, Four o'Clock.

Dispatches from the army, transmitted by Victor (Duke of Belluno), the 7th, were received this morning, and have been read in the Cham-

" CHAMBER OF DEPUTIES, APRIL 10.

The sitting opened at two o'clock.

[redacted] Minister for the War Department rose (a lively sensation) and Gentlemen, all efforts to stop the course of the faction which governs ncils of Spain having proved fruitless, Monseigneur the Duke of Ane received orders to pass the frontier, and on the 7th of this month the Bidassoa at the head of the army. I have now, gentlemen, to you the first dispatch which the Government has received from the -General of the army.

" Head-quarters, St. Jean de Luz, April 7,
" Half-past Three in the Morning.

Monseigneur,—I have the honour to report to your Excellency, that terday a troop of French and Italian Refugees made their appearance the Bidassoa, and endeavoured by songs and seditious cries, to instite the soldiers of his Majesty to desert. At the sight of a piece of artilry, these wretches cried '*Vive L'artillerie Francaise*' General Walin reed by a another cry, thus—'*Vive l'artillerie* but *Vive le Roi !* Fire !' At is very instant, a company of the 9th Light Infantry, which had been asked, debouched, and completed the dispersion of those whom the ape-shot had spared.

" Thus the troops have manifested their love for the King by someng more expressive than their habitual acclamations. Your Excellenwill find annexed the summary of the examination of four wounded n who have been picked up; it will give a just idea of the pitiable auiliary whom the Spanish Revolutionists have chosen, and whom the Imerial Alexander Regiment in garrison at Irun have in a manner delivered up to slaughter, as they withdrew their posts before the arrival of the refugees on the banks of the river. A few moments after their flight, all the inhabitants of both sexes assembled together, and the communication between the two kingdoms was immediately established.

" The Alcade of Irun has even informed us that the Imperial Alexander regiment has evacuated that city, and that the Band of Firmin has also abandoned Fontarabia.

" In the number of this day's victims who are eight killed and four severely wounded, are recognised the persons named Mallett and Delamot, already implicated in several conspiracies.

" I am, &c.
" Count GUILLEMINOT, Major-General."

APRIL 11, 1823.

Yesterday a Court of Directors was held at the East India House, when the new Directors elected on Wednesday last, viz.—Wm. Stanley Clarke Esq.; John Hudleston, Esq.; Richard Chicheley Plowden, Esq.; George Raikes, Esq.: George Abercrom- Esq.; and John Thornhill, Esq, took the oaths and their seats. and William Astell, Esqrs., were chosen Chairman and Deputy ensuing.

ilsford mention that the Layton and Katherine port, were to sail, the former on the 20th lay.

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